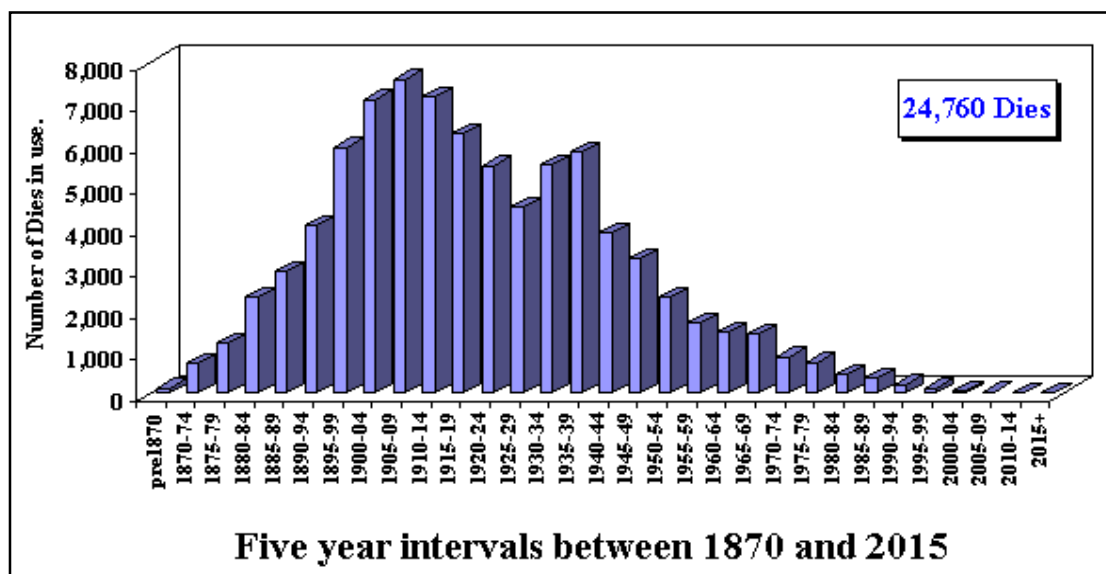


## Earliest and Longest Lived Dies.

By analysing the 'die in use' dates quoted in the '*Gault Catalogue of G. B. Perfins*', the following distribution of dies can be determined, which unusually shows two distinct peaks. The first occurs during 1905-1909 (**7,615 DD**) representing a natural build-up of popularity followed by a decline. The other is 1935-1939 (**5,835 DD**), which might imply a resurgence in the use of Perfins, along with older dies being replaced, all of which is helped by J Sloper & Co pursuing a refurbishment campaign in the years leading up to the Second World War.

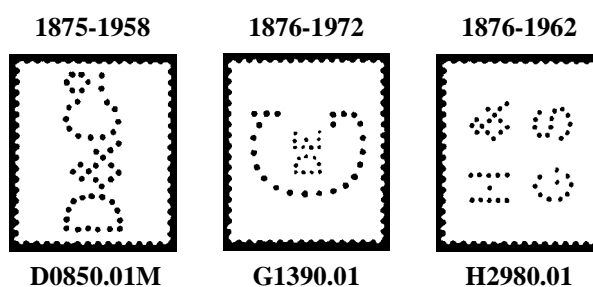


The average life of a G. B. Perfin Die is **11.2 years**, but that probably reflects the short term nature of companies rather than dies wearing out due to excessive use or poor manufacture.

An analysis of Victorian G.B. Perfin Dies surviving into the modern Elizabethan era results in the following mini 'league tables' of 'earliest surviving' and 'longest lived' dies. To date, some **24,760** different dies have been reported on the postage stamps of Great Britain, although in the 'fullness of time' this figure is expected to approach **25,200** - probably sometime around **2035**.

Correct to **1<sup>st</sup> January 2019**.

## Earliest Surviving.



Just three dies are known to have survived in use from the Queen Victoria '*Penny Red*' period (i.e. pre 1880) into the modern Elizabethan era - their full stamp details follow.

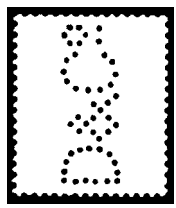
The Perfin Society Issue codes are shown here to help interpret the list of stamps involved.

**Stamp Issue Codes used in the main body of the study.**

**A** Code not used - QV stamps pre 1880 either 'described' or by reference to SG numbers.

<b>B</b> QV 1d Lilac	<b>C</b> QV High Values	<b>D</b> QV Lilac & Green issue.
<b>E</b> QV Jubilee issue	<b>F</b> KEVII definitives	<b>G</b> KEVII High Values
<b>H</b> KGV Downey heads	<b>I</b> KGV Typographs	<b>J</b> KGV Seahorses
<b>K</b> KGV 1924/5 BEX	<b>L</b> KGV 1929 PUC	<b>M</b> KGV Photogravure
<b>N</b> KGV Silver Jubilee	<b>O</b> KEVIII definitives	<b>P</b> KGV Coronation
<b>Q</b> KGV Dark colours	<b>R</b> KGV Light colours	<b>S</b> KGV Changed colours
<b>T</b> KGV Commemoratives	<b>U</b> QEII Wildings	<b>V</b> QEII Machins (£sd)
<b>W</b> QEII Machins (£p)	<b>X</b> QEII Commemoratives	<b>Y/Z</b> QEII Regionals (£sd/£p)

· **"D&C<sup>o</sup>."** (D0850.01M) - in use for 83 years, 1875-1958.



**D0850.01M**

In use: 1875-1958.  
 Dates: 26 Apr 1878 - ... Dec 1956.  
 Issues: QV ½d (SG48) - plates 11, 15  
           QV 1d (SG43) - see list below.  
           QV 1½d (SG51) - plate 3  
           QV 2d (SG45) - plates 14, 15  
           QV 2½d - plate 23  
           QV 6d - plate 16  
           QV 1d, 1½d (SG166/7)  
           B 1d (16 dots)  
           D ½d, 1½d, 2½d  
           E ½d (both), 1½d, 2½d  
           F ½d (both), 1d, 1½d, 2½d, 3d, 5d  
           H ½d, 1d  
           I(RC/BC) ½d-2½d, 4d, 6d  
           L 1d, 1½d, 2½d  
           M ½d-2½d  
           N ½d-1½d, 2½d  
           O ½d-1½d, 2½d  
           Q ½d-2½d, 6d, 1/-, 10/- (ultra)  
           R ½d-2½d  
           S ½d-2½d, 5/-  
           T 2d (SG482)  
           T 2½d (SG491)  
           T 1/- (SG498/502)  
           U(TC/SEC) 1d, 1½d, 2d (dk)  
           U(TC/SEC) 2½d-6d, 8d, 1/-  
           X 3d (SG567)

Note: Perfin also found upright.  
       Block of six shows evidence for a multiheaded die.

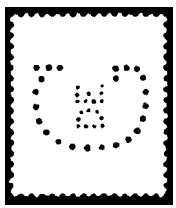
Ident: Davies & Co, Advertising Agents, Booksellers, and  
       Foreign Newspaper Agents, 1 Finch Lane, Cornhill,  
       London EC. Later at 95 Bishopsgate, London EC2.

Pmks: 'FB', 'FS/M', 'NPB', and London EC.

The following QV 1d Red plates are known:

136 140 145 148 159 160 164 167 168 169 170 171 172 173 174  
 175 176 177 179 181 183 184 185 186 188 189 190 191 192 193  
 194 195 196 197 198 199 200 201 202 203 204 205 206 207 208  
 209 210 211 212 213 214 215 216 218 219 220 221 225

- “de in G” (G1390.01) - in use for 96 years, 1876-1972.



**G1390.01**

In use: 1876-1972.  
 Dates: 20 May 1878 - 1 Apr 1972.  
 Issues: QV ½d (SG48) - plate 10  
 QV 1d (SG43) - See list below.  
 QV 1½d (SG510) - plate 3  
 QV 2½d - plate 23  
 QV ½d (SG164)  
 B 1d (14 & 16 dots)  
 E ½d (verm), 1½d-3d, 6d, 9d  
 E 1/- red/gn)  
 F ½d (bl-gn), 1d-2d, 3d, 6d, 1/-  
 H ½d  
 I(RC/BC) ½d-3d, 6d  
 L 2½d  
 M ½d-1½d, 2½d, 3d, 5d, 9d, 1/-  
 N ½d  
 O ½d-1½d  
 Q ½d-1½d, 3d, 7d

**WWII Occupation:**  
 1941-42 issue:  
 ½d, 1d (J1/2)  
 1943 issue:  
 1d, 2½d (J4/7a)

R 1d, 2½d  
 S 1½d, 2½d

**Third Anniversary of Liberation:**  
 1d, 2½d (SG C1/2)

T 2½d (SG493/5)  
 U(TC/MC) ½d-1½d, 2d (lgt)  
 U(TC/MC) 2½d-4d, 6d, 7d, 9d, 1/-  
 V 6d (mint)  
 X 2½d, 3d (SG623/4)  
 X 3d (SG619)  
 X 6d (SG621)

**Jersey Regionals:**  
 Y 3d, 4d (Blue, Sepia), 5d (mint)

Missing pin  
from “D”

Ident: Abraham de Gruchy & Co Ltd, Drapers, House Furnishers and Costumiers, St Helier, Jersey, Channel Islands.  
 {Registered 29<sup>th</sup> October 1887}.  
 Company was originally known as ‘*Abraham de Gruchy*’.

Pmks: ‘409’ Jersey.

The following QV 1d Red plates are known

150 160 161 170 174 180 181 183 184 186 187 190 191 195 200  
 201 204 205 206 207 208 209 211 213 214 220 222

**Independent Postal Administration** from 1<sup>st</sup> October 1969.  
 3p “Rothchild’s Mynah” known on cover dated 1<sup>st</sup> April 1972.

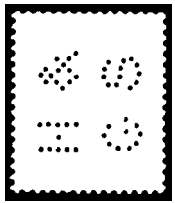
**Note!**

Perfin usually found sideways but also known upright. Sloper m/c N<sup>o</sup>. 5080, fitted with a single headed die, completed 24th June 1876.

Pin in ‘D’ damaged/removed 1901-1902 and never repaired.

Latest date with pin in “D”: 16<sup>th</sup> January 1901 (very weak).  
 Earliest date with pin missing: 2<sup>nd</sup> June 1902.

- “**H&GS**” (H2980.01) - in use for 86 years, 1876-1962. Die probably refurbished c1925.



**H2980.01**

In use: 1876-1962.  
 Dates: 26 July 1876 - 7 Mar 1948.  
 Issues: QV ½d (SG48) - plates 11, 15, 20  
           QV 1d (SG43) - plates known  
           170 174 185 192 195 198 201  
           207 211 218  
           QV 1½d (SG51) - plate 3  
           QV 2d (SG45) - plates 13, 15  
           QV 1d (SG166)  
           B 1d (16 dots)  
           D 1½d  
           E 1½d-3d, 6d  
           F 1d-2½d, 4d (gr/br), 6d  
           I(RC/BC) 1d-2d, 6d  
           L 1d, 2½d  
           M ½d, 1½d, 2d, 3d  
           N 1½d  
           O ½d-1½d  
           P 1½d  
           Q 1d-3d, 6d, 1/-, 2/6d (gn)  
           R ½d, 1d, 2d-3d  
           S 2½d  
           T 2½d (SG491/499/513)  
           T 1/- (SG498)  
           U(TC/MC) 1d, 1½d, 2d (lgt)  
           U(TC/MC) 2½d, 3d, 4½d, 7d, 1/-  
           U(SEC/MC) 2/6d, £1  
           X 2½d (SG557)  
           X 3d (SG567/632)  
           X 6d (SG636)  
           X 1/3d (SG569)

**QV Inland Revenue:**  
 1d Die n/k

Note: Large format stamps show evidence for a single headed die.  
 Perfin usually found sideways, but also known upright.  
 Die may have been refurbished c1935.

Ident: H & G Simonds Ltd, Brewers, Wine & Spirit Importers,  
 ‘The Brewery’, 29 Bridge St, Reading, Berks.  
 Also Hastings, Dublin, and elsewhere.

Pmks: ‘635’ Reading.

**In Brief!**

Registered in 1885, but had already been brewing in Reading  
 and Henley-on-Thames since 1760. In 1960 they merged to  
 become Courage, Barclay & Simmonds.

**H. & G. SIMONDS, LTD.,**  
**BREWERS, WINE & SPIRIT IMPORTERS,**  
**READING.**

<p><b>BRANCH STORES AND OFFICES:—</b>          LONDON—32, York-road (opposite Waterloo Station), S.E.          AND          ALDERSHOT—Queen's-road, Farnboro'-road.          BRIGHTON—4, Castle-square, and 96, Church-road, Hove.          FARNBORO'—Farnboro' Station, S.E.R.          HASTINGS—51, Robertson-street.          OXFORD—30, Queen-street, and 1, Cowley-road.          PLYMOUTH—The Octagon, Union-street.</p>	<p>PORTSMOUTH—33, Marmion-road, Southsea, and Railway Station, Landport.          SANDGATE—65, High-street.          SLOUGH—High-street.          WOOLWICH—51, Artillery-place.          DUBLIN—41, Wellington Quay.          GIBALTAR—Alameda.          MALTA—311, Strada Reale, and 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Right Marina, Valetta.</p>
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**W. J. WELLER, Manager,**  
 43 ORCHARD-STREET, SWANSEA

Advertisement - The Cambrian, 27<sup>th</sup> January 1899.

## Dies found on stamps from all 'Six Reigns'.

**Note:** The current list stands at [106 Victorian](#) dies that are known to have survived in use into the *Elizabethan* era. Thus there is plenty of scope to find and collect Perfin dies appearing on stamps from *each of the six different reigns*. List correct to **1<sup>st</sup> December 2019**.

The following list, arranged in die life order, shows the dies known on All Six Reigns, the first three of which also appear on Queen Victoria Line Engraved stamps. \* Signifies the user is known or suspected.

1	G1390.01	de in G	*	1876	1972	96	54	A4640.01M	AP/&/SL <sup>d</sup>	*	1890	1957	67
2	H2980.01	H&/GS	*	1876	1962	86	55	B5650.01	BPB	*	1898	1965	67
3	D0850.01M	D&C <sup>o</sup> ..	*	1875	1958	83	56	R4600.01	RS/&C	*	1890	1957	67
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4	S1210.04M	SC	*	1886	1995	109	57	D0290.01	D&B/B	*	1889	1955	66
5	M1060.02M	M/C	*	1882	1980	98	58	B4850.01aM	B.M/&C <sup>o</sup> .	*	1900	1965	65
6	P3500.02	P&O/C <sup>o</sup> .	*	1885	1980	95	59	B7970.01	B/Y	--	1895	1960	65
7	B1110.05M	BC	*	1899	1993	94	60	D2230.03	D&H	*	1890	1955	65
8	H7900.01M	H.W.V/L <sup>d</sup> .	*	1895	1985	90	61	I1380.01aM	IIG/CL <sup>d</sup>	*	1900	1965	65
9	O0380.01	O.C.	*	1895	1985	90	62	M3980.01M	MM/C <sup>o</sup> .L <sup>d</sup> .	*	1890	1955	65
10	T2095.03	T.H.B	*	1881	1970	89	63	N0520.01	N.C	*	1900	1965	65
11	B5060.01M	BN	*	1887	1975	88	64	U0060.03M	UA	*	1890	1955	65
12	H5690.02M	H&P	*	1883	1969	86	65	U0370.01	U.C.	*	1890	1955	65
13	C0011.04M	C	*	1890	1975	85	66	J8280.01	J.W	*	1890	1954	64
14	C0270.02M	C/AN/S	*	1885	1969	84	67	S0680.01	SB/C <sup>o</sup> .L <sup>d</sup> .	*	1890	1954	64
15	C8400.01M	CWD	*	1889	1972	83	68	T2230.01	THH/N	*	1895	1959	64
16	F1870.01	FH&P	*	1895	1978	83	69	J0660.02	J.B/&C <sup>o</sup> .	*	1895	1958	63
17	B5375.02M	BofM	*	1888	1970	82	70	A2900.01	A.H/&/S	*	1895	1957	62
18	P2610.01M	PJ	*	1895	1977	82	71	D1560.01	DELIUS	*	1895	1957	62
19	C3270.01	CHL	*	1885	1965	80	72	J0970.03	J.B/&S	*	1895	1957	62
20	C8570.01	CWW	*	1885	1965	80	73	J1515.01	J.CL/B	*	1895	1957	62
21	J6660.01	J&/RS	*	1885	1965	80	74	M5320.01	M&S/N	*	1895	1957	62
22	M5850.01	MV/C <sup>o</sup> .	*	1895	1975	80	75	W4680.01	W.J/&/S	*	1895	1957	62
23	S0460.03bM	SB	*	1891	1971	80	76	B3820.03M	BJ/&B	*	1897	1957	60
24	G0170.01M	GAS	*	1890	1969	79	77	D1780.01	D.F. in circle	*	1895	1955	60
25	T0370.01M	T.B.B.	*	1890	1968	78	78	F0210.03	FB	--	1895	1955	60
26	H4280.01aM	HKL	*	1893	1969	76	79	H1240.01M	HC/B	*	1895	1955	60
27	C3660.01M	CIC <sup>o</sup> L <sup>d</sup>	*	1895	1970	75	80	H6810.03	HS/&S	*	1900	1960	60
28	C4210.06M	CL	*	1885	1960	75	81	J6460.03	JR/&C <sup>o</sup>	*	1897	1957	60
29	J7780.01M	J.T./&/J.T.	*	1895	1970	75	82	W5020.01	W&L/L <sup>d</sup>	*	1900	1960	60
30	L1300.02	L/&C <sup>o</sup> /L <sup>d</sup>	*	1890	1965	75	83	B6430.06M	B&S	*	1895	1954	59
31	R4800.01M	R.S&J/L <sup>td</sup> .	*	1885	1960	75	84	C0875.01	C.B/L <sup>d</sup> .	*	1895	1954	59
32	S6440.08M	S&S	*	1895	1970	75	85	C6920.02	CS/&C <sup>o</sup>	*	1895	1954	59
33	F3930.01	FS/&S	*	1880	1954	74	86	F0008.11M	F	*	1895	1954	59
34	J7160.01	J/SMITH	*	1895	1969	74	87	H7640.01	H&W	*	1895	1954	59
35	L3180.01	LINE	*	1895	1969	74	88	K0710.01	KESSLER	*	1895	1954	59
36	B4730.01M	B.M.	*	1895	1968	73	89	O0870.01	O&H/L	*	1895	1954	59
37	B6420.01mM	BS (mono)	*	1887	1960	73	90	R0070.02	RAB	*	1895	1954	59
38	C6500.01	C.R/&C <sup>o</sup> ..	*	1890	1963	73	91	R4380.01	RR/&C <sup>o</sup> .L <sup>d</sup> .	*	1895	1954	59
39	H2240.01mM	HEAT ...	*	1895	1967	72	92	R4770.01M	R.S/&J	*	1895	1954	59
40	H6350.06	H&S	*	1885	1957	72	93	S4760.03	SM	*	1895	1954	59
41	L0280.02a	L&B	*	1885	1957	72	94	T5270.01	T/Y	*	1895	1954	59
42	P3540.01M	POTTER	*	1885	1957	72	95	W1250.01	W.C./L <sup>d</sup> .	*	1895	1954	59
43	R0475.04	R.B/&C <sup>o</sup> .	*	1895	1966	71	96	B6730.01M	B&S/L <sup>d</sup>	*	1900	1958	58
44	B0013.14	B	*	1895	1965	70	97	M1040.04	M&C	*	1900	1958	58
45	B1110.02M	BC	*	1895	1965	70	98	A2720.02M	A.H	*	1900	1957	57
46	J2780.01M	JF/&C <sup>o</sup> .	*	1895	1965	70	99	D3310.01	DMS	*	1900	1957	57
47	K0340.02M	KC/L	*	1895	1965	70	100	G2960.02	GK	*	1900	1957	57
48	N2520.03M	N&P	*	1895	1965	70	101	B3810.01M	B&J	*	1900	1955	55
49	P4380.01aM	P.S/NC	*	1884	1954	70	102	M1130.03	McC	*	1899	1954	55
50	B7100.01	BT/C	*	1900	1969	69	103	M5130.01	MSC <sup>o</sup> .L <sup>d</sup> .	*	1900	1955	55
51	O1180.02	O&M	*	1891	1960	69	104	B0019.01M	B	*	1900	1954	54
52	W4370.02	WILLS	*	1885	1954	69	105	D3585.01	DOCK/RELL	*	1900	1954	54
53	G0011.12M	G	*	1899	1967	68	106	J2860.02	JFS	*	1900	1954	54



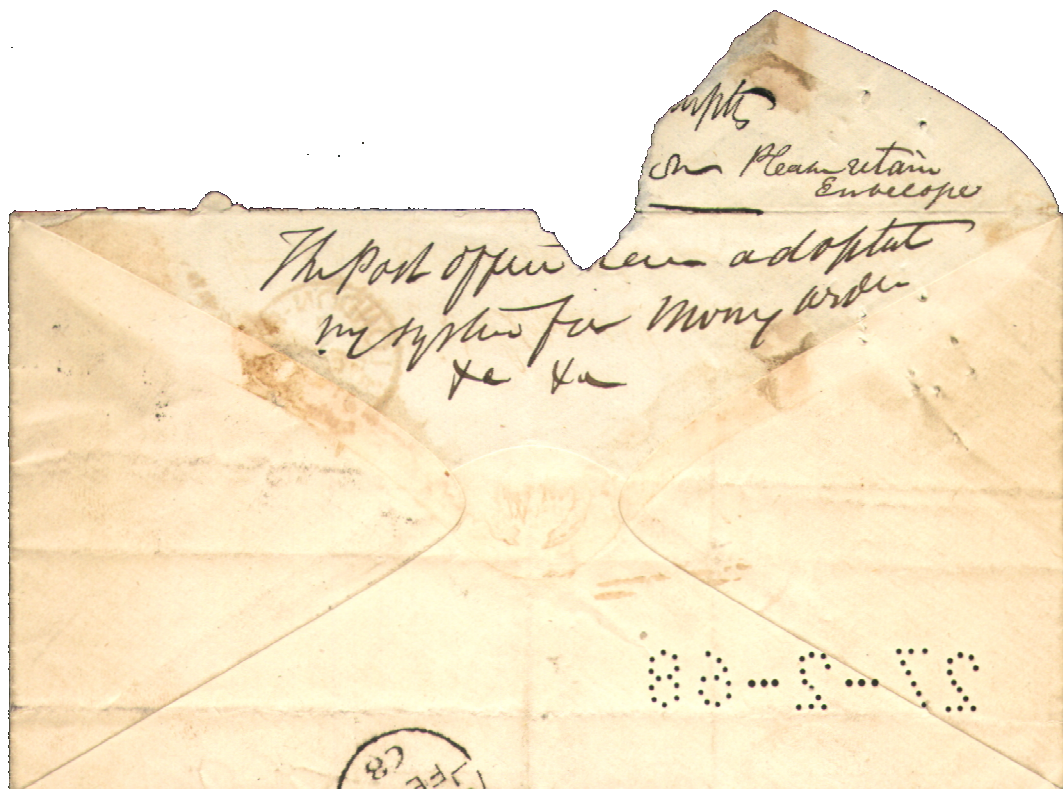
The same list of *Six Reign Dies* arranged in *alphabetical order*, making it easier to check which dies you have in your collection.

1	A2720.02M	A.H	*	1900	1957	57	54	I1380.01aM	IJG/CLd	*	1900	1965	65
2	A2900.01	A.H/&S	*	1895	1957	62	55	J0660.02	J.B/&Co.	*	1895	1958	63
3	A4640.01M	AP/&/SLd	*	1890	1957	67	56	J0970.03	J.B/&S	*	1895	1957	62
4	B0013.14	B	*	1895	1965	70	57	J1515.01	J.Cl./B	*	1895	1957	62
5	B0019.01M	B	*	1900	1954	54	58	J2780.01M	JF/&Co.	*	1895	1965	70
6	B1110.02M	BC	*	1895	1965	70	59	J2860.02	JFS	*	1900	1954	54
7	B1110.05M	BC	*	1899	1993	94	60	J6460.03	JR/&Co	*	1897	1957	60
8	B3810.01M	B&J	*	1900	1955	55	61	J6660.01	J&/RS	*	1885	1965	80
9	B3820.03M	BJ/&B	*	1897	1957	60	62	J7160.01	J/SMITH	*	1895	1969	74
10	B4730.01M	B.M.	*	1895	1968	73	63	J7780.01M	J.T./&J.T.	*	1895	1970	75
11	B4850.01aM	B.M/&Co.	*	1900	1965	65	64	J8280.01	J.W	*	1890	1954	64
12	B5060.01M	BN	*	1887	1975	88	65	K0340.02M	KC/L	*	1895	1965	70
13	B5375.02M	BofM	*	1888	1970	82	66	K0710.01	KESSLER	*	1895	1954	59
14	B5650.01	BPB	*	1898	1965	67	67	L0280.02a	L&B	*	1885	1957	72
15	B6420.01mM	BS (mono)	*	1887	1960	73	68	L1300.02	L/&Co/Ld	*	1890	1965	75
16	B6430.06M	B&S	*	1895	1954	59	69	L3180.01	LINE	*	1895	1969	74
17	B6730.01M	B&S/Ld	*	1900	1958	58	70	M1040.04	M&C	*	1900	1958	58
18	B7100.01	BT/C	*	1900	1969	69	71	M1060.02M	M/C	*	1882	1980	98
19	B7970.01	B/Y	--	1895	1960	65	72	M1130.03	McC	*	1899	1954	55
20	C0011.04M	C	*	1890	1975	85	73	M3980.01M	MM/Co.Ld.	*	1890	1955	65
21	C0270.02M	C/AN/S	*	1885	1969	84	74	M5130.01	MSCo./Ld.	*	1900	1955	55
22	C0875.01	C.B/Ld.	*	1895	1954	59	75	M5320.01	M&S/N	*	1895	1957	62
23	C3270.01	CHL	*	1885	1965	80	76	M5850.01	MV/Co.	*	1895	1975	80
24	C3660.01M	CICoLd	*	1895	1970	75	77	N0520.01	N.C	*	1900	1965	65
25	C4210.06M	CL	*	1885	1960	75	78	N2520.03M	N&P	*	1895	1965	70
26	C6500.01	C.R/&Co..	*	1890	1963	73	79	O0380.01	O.C.	*	1895	1985	90
27	C6920.02	CS/&Co	*	1895	1954	59	80	O0870.01	O&H/L	*	1895	1954	59
28	C8400.01M	CWD	*	1889	1972	83	81	O1180.02	O&M	*	1891	1960	69
29	C8570.01	CWW	*	1885	1965	80	82	P2610.01M	PJ	*	1895	1977	82
30	D0290.01	D&B/B	*	1889	1955	66	83	P3500.02	P&O/Co.	*	1885	1980	95
31	D0850.01M	D&Co..	*	1875	1958	83	84	P3540.01M	POTTER	*	1885	1957	72
32	D1560.01	DELIUS	*	1895	1957	62	85	P4380.01aM	P.S/NC	*	1884	1954	70
33	D1780.01	D.F. in circle	*	1895	1955	60	86	R0070.02	RAB	*	1895	1954	59
34	D2230.03	D&H	*	1890	1955	65	87	R0475.04	R.B/&Co.	*	1895	1966	71
35	D3310.01	DMS	*	1900	1957	57	88	R4380.01	RR/&Co./Ld.	*	1895	1954	59
36	D3585.01	DOCK/RELL	*	1900	1954	54	89	R4600.01	RS/&C	*	1890	1957	67
37	F0008.11M	F	*	1895	1954	59	90	R4770.01M	R.S/&J	*	1895	1954	59
38	F0210.03	FB	--	1895	1955	60	91	R4800.01M	R.S.&J/Ltd.	*	1885	1960	75
39	F1870.01	FH&P	*	1895	1978	83	92	S0460.03bM	SB	*	1891	1971	80
40	F3930.01	FS/&S	*	1880	1954	74	93	S0680.01	SB/Co.Ld.	*	1890	1954	64
41	G0011.12M	G	*	1899	1967	68	94	S1210.04M	SC	*	1886	1995	109
42	G0170.01M	GAS	*	1890	1969	79	95	S4760.03	SM	*	1895	1954	59
43	G1390.01	de in G	*	1876	1972	96	96	S6440.08M	S&S	*	1895	1970	75
44	G2960.02	GK	*	1900	1957	57	97	T0370.01M	T.B.B.	*	1890	1968	78
45	H1240.01M	HC/B	*	1895	1955	60	98	T2095.03	T.H.B	*	1881	1970	89
46	H2240.01mM	HEAT ...	*	1895	1967	72	99	T2230.01	THH/N	*	1895	1959	64
47	H2980.01	H&/GS	*	1876	1962	86	100	T5270.01	T/Y	*	1895	1954	59
48	H4280.01aM	HKL	*	1893	1969	76	101	U0060.03M	UA	*	1890	1955	65
49	H5690.02M	H&P	*	1883	1969	86	102	U0370.01	U.C.	*	1890	1955	65
50	H6350.06	H&S	*	1885	1957	72	103	W1250.01	W.C./Ld.	*	1895	1954	59
51	H6810.03	HS/&S	*	1900	1960	60	104	W4370.02	WILLS	*	1885	1954	69
52	H7640.01	H&W	*	1895	1954	59	105	W4680.01	W.J/&S	*	1895	1957	62
53	H7900.01M	H.W.V/Ld.	*	1895	1985	90	106	W5020.01	W&L/Ld	*	1900	1960	60



**Earliest Dated Examples.**

Undoubtedly, the earliest cover is this one dated 1868 which appeared on the philatelic market in 2015. It is discussed elsewhere in detail - see the section called 'In the Beginning' - so will only be briefly dealt with here. It is clearly dated 28<sup>th</sup> February 1868, and addressed to F Clutson Esq<sup>re</sup> in the Accounts Office of the Great Western Railway at their H/Q in Paddington. This would have been written by Joseph Sloper himself and bears his hitherto unknown 'Personal Perfin' "JS". The letter was no doubt intended to drum up trade for the stamp perforating business that he was eager to get underway.



This list, compiled with the help of *Maurice Harp*, also appears in the Line Engraved section, and comprises *forty-seven* 1869 covers/pieces, involving *eleven* different dies.

	Date	Initials	Cat No.		Scan	Stamps involved
1	5 <sup>th</sup> Jan 1869	SM/&C <sup>o</sup>	S4920.01	Cover		2 x 4d pl 10
2	17 <sup>th</sup> Feb 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover	Scan	1/- pl 4 + non-perf 1/- pl 4
3	19 <sup>th</sup> Feb 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover	Scan	1d Red plate n/k + 4d pl 10
4	6 <sup>th</sup> Mar 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover		4d pl 10 + 1/- pl 4
5	15 <sup>th</sup> Mar 1869	GR/W	G4350.01aM	Cover		1d Red plate n/k
6	5 <sup>th</sup> Apr 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover		2d pl 12 + non-perf 1d Red
7	13 <sup>th</sup> April 1869	C.I.H/&S	C3730.02	Cover	Scan	1d Red pl 76
8	24 <sup>th</sup> April 1869	C.I.H/&S	C3730.02	Cover	Scan	2d plate 12
9	26 <sup>th</sup> April 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover	Scan	2 x 2d plate 12
10	29 <sup>th</sup> April 1869	C.I.H/&S	C3730.02	Cover	Scan	1d Red pl 123
11	30 <sup>th</sup> April 1869	C.I.H/&S	C3730.02	Cover	Scan	1d Red pl 112 + 6d pl 8 + 1/- pl 4
12	5 <sup>th</sup> May 1869	GR/W	G4350.01aM	Cover	Scan	1d Red plate 106
13	6 <sup>th</sup> May 1869	GR/W	G4350.01aM	Cover	Scan	1d Red plate 112?
14	7 <sup>th</sup> May 1869	C.I.H/&S	C3730.02	Cover	Scan	1d Red plate 103
15	10 <sup>th</sup> May 1869	C.I.H/&S	C3730.02	Cover	Scan	1d Red plate n/k
16	16 <sup>th</sup> May 1869	C.I.H/&S	C3730.02	Cover		???
17	18 <sup>th</sup> May 1869	S.P/&C <sup>o</sup>	S4850.01	Cover	Scan	4 x 1d Red pl 118 + non-perf 4d pl 11
18	31 <sup>st</sup> May 1869	GR/W	G4350.01aM	Cover	Scan	1d Red plate 79
19	9 <sup>th</sup> June 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover		4d plate n/k
20	19 <sup>th</sup> June 1869	533/T.H	#0420.02	Cover	Scan	1d Red pl 123
21	21 <sup>st</sup> June 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover		4d pl 11 + 1/- pl 4
22	22 <sup>nd</sup> June 1869	C.I.H/&S	C3730.02	<i>Piece</i>	Scan	1/- pl 4 + non-perf 2d
23	25 <sup>th</sup> June 1869	C.I.H/&S	C3730.02	<i>Piece</i>	Scan	1/- pl 4 + non-perf 2d
24	28 <sup>th</sup> June 1869	533/T.H	#0420.02	Cover	Scan	1d Red pl 123
25	7 <sup>th</sup> July 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover	Scan	4d pl 11
26	15 <sup>th</sup> July 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover		4d pl 11
27	20 <sup>th</sup> July 1869	GR/W	G4350.01aM	Cover		1d Red plate n/k
28	23 <sup>rd</sup> July 1869	C.I.H/&S	C3730.02	Cover	Scan	1/- pl 4 + non-perf 1d pl n/k
29	24 <sup>th</sup> July 1869	S.M/&Co	S4930.02	Cover	Scan	6d pl 8
30	25 <sup>th</sup> July 1869	C.I.H/&S	C3730.02	Cover		1/- pl 4 + non-perf 1d Red pl 102
31	30 <sup>th</sup> July 1869	C.I.H/&S	C3730.02	<i>Piece</i>	Scan	6d pl 8 + non-perf 1d Red pl 102
32	5 <sup>th</sup> Aug 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover	Scan	4d pl 11 + 3 x 4d pl 11
33	26 <sup>th</sup> Aug 1869	GR/W	G4350.01aM	Cover	Scan	1d Red pl 121
34	28 <sup>th</sup> Aug 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover	Scan	4d pl 11 + 4d pl 11
35	16 <sup>th</sup> Sep 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover	Scan	1d Red pl 114 + 2 x 4d pl 11
36	18 <sup>th</sup> Sep 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover		2 x 4d pl n/k
37	24 <sup>th</sup> Sep 1869	R&S/M.L	R4890.02M	Cover	Scan	1d Red pl 111
38	7 <sup>th</sup> Oct 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover	Scan	1d Red plate 113 + 2 x 4d ( <i>pl 11</i> )
39	13 <sup>th</sup> Oct 1869	C.I.H/&S	C3730.02	Cover	Scan	4d pl 11
40	15 <sup>th</sup> Oct 1869	C.I.H/&S	C3730.02	Cover		4d pl 11
41	19 <sup>th</sup> Oct 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover	Scan	4d pl 11
42	30 <sup>th</sup> Oct 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover	Scan	4d pl 11
43	10 <sup>th</sup> Nov 1869	SM/&C <sup>o</sup>	S4920.01	Cover		6d pl 8
44	13 <sup>th</sup> Dec 1869	F.S/L	F3845.01	Cover	B&W	1d Red plate n/k
45	14 <sup>th</sup> Dec 1869	ELEY	E2680.01M	Cover	Scan	1d Red plate 115
46	31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 1869	C.D/&C <sup>o</sup>	C2087.01	Cover	Scan	2 x 4d pl 11 + non-perf 1d Red
47	31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 1869	GR/E	G4300.01M	Cover	Scan	1d Red plate 150

*Please report any covers you may have or know about that are additional to the list, or if you can provide a colour scan where we have only a b&w version or no scan at all!*



**But Beware!**

The following two 'early' covers are both *Fakes* for two quite different reasons.

This first cover dated 9<sup>th</sup> April 1868 has had the stamp removed from the cover, perforated with a 'random' set of holes, and then re-affixed to the cover. Fortunately the cancel on the stamp is not quite in synchronisation with the cancel on the cover, giving the game away!



This next one, dated 5<sup>th</sup> January 1869, has had the original stamp removed and replaced by a genuine Perfin, but clearly the postmark on the perfinned stamp bears no resemblance to the original Pershore '611' Duplex cancel on the cover!



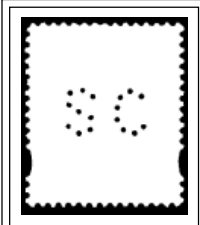
**Longest Lived.**Complete list, arranged in die life order, of dies in use for **65 years or more**.

\* Signifies the user is known or suspected - some 95%.

1	S1210.04M	SC	Pos	1886	1995	109	59	B1110.02M	BC	Pos	1895	1965	70
2	M1060.02M	M/C	Pos	1882	1980	98	60	B5150.02M	BN/&H	Pos	1905	1975	70
3	G1390.01	de in G	Pos	1876	1972	96	61	J2780.01M	JF/&C <sup>o</sup> .	Pos	1895	1965	70
4	P3500.02	P&O/C <sup>o</sup> .	Pos	1885	1980	95	62	K0340.02M	KC/L	Pos	1895	1965	70
5	B1110.05M	BC	Pos	1899	1993	94	63	N2520.03M	N&P	Pos	1895	1965	70
6	U1170.01M	U.L	Pos	1903	1996	93	64	P0210.01M	PAL/L	Pos	1910	1980	70
7	H7900.01M	H.W.V/L <sup>d</sup> .	Pos	1895	1985	90	65	P1020.02M	PC/L	Pos	1915	1985	70
8	O0380.01	O.C.	Pos	1895	1985	90	66	P4380.01aM	P.S/NC	Pos	1884	1954	70
							67	S1580.01	S..C/L <sup>d</sup>	Pos	1912	1982	70
9	T2095.03	T.H.B	Pos	1881	1970	89	68	S6430.01	S.S.	--	1880	1950	70
10	B5060.01M	BN	Pos	1887	1975	88	69	T4970.01	T.W./C.	Pos	1915	1985	70
11	H2980.01	H&/GS	Pos	1876	1962	86	70	W2300.01M	WE/L	--	1905	1975	70
12	H5690.02M	H&P	Pos	1883	1969	86	71	W3890.01	WHS/&S	Sus	1880	1950	70
13	B0230.04	BASS	Pos	1905	1990	85	72	A1650.02M	ADAM	Pos	1870	1939	69
14	C0011.04M	C	Pos	1890	1975	85	73	B1110.12M	BC	Pos	1905	1974	69
15	G1540.01M	GE/C	Pos	1908	1993	85	74	B2630.06	B&F	--	1883	1952	69
16	C0270.02M	C/AN/S	Pos	1885	1969	84	75	B7100.01	BT/C	Pos	1900	1969	69
17	Y0610.01M	YK/C	Pos	1906	1990	84	76	D2580.02	D&J	Pos	1870	1939	69
18	C8400.01M	CWD	Pos	1889	1972	83	77	J5300.01M	J.M/&C <sup>o</sup>	Sus	1872	1941	69
19	D0850.01M	D&C <sup>o</sup> ..	Pos	1875	1958	83	78	L0960.02M	LC	Pos	1941	2010	69
20	F1870.01	FH&P	Pos	1895	1978	83	79	O1180.02	O&M	Pos	1891	1960	69
21	B5375.02M	BofM	Pos	1888	1970	82	80	T0770.01M	T.C	Pos	1905	1974	69
22	P2610.01M	PJ	Pos	1895	1977	82	81	W4370.02	WILLS	Pos	1885	1954	69
23	T1710.01M	T.F/&S	Pos	1903	1985	82	82	Des0080.01	3-Shamrock	Pos	1877	1945	68
24	C3270.01	CHL	Pos	1885	1965	80	83	G0011.12M	G	Pos	1899	1967	68
25	C8570.01	CWW	Pos	1885	1965	80	84	W5160.01M	WM	Pos	1873	1941	68
26	J6660.01	J&/RS	Pos	1885	1965	80	85	W7020.01M	W.S./M.	Sus	1907	1975	68
27	M5850.01	MV/C <sup>o</sup> .	Pos	1895	1975	80	86	A4640.01M	AP/&/SL <sup>d</sup>	Pos	1890	1957	67
28	S0460.03bM	SB	Pos	1891	1971	80	87	B5650.01	BPB	Pos	1898	1965	67
29	G0170.01M	GAS	Pos	1890	1969	79	88	C5520.01M	C/of/A	Pos	1915	1982	67
30	T0370.01M	T.B.B.	Pos	1890	1968	78	89	K0260.01M	KC	Pos	1943	2010	67
31	C1250.02M	CC/C	Pos	1903	1980	77	90	M0150.01	MACA.&C <sup>o</sup> ..	Pos	1885	1952	67
32	T0590.01M	T.B.L <sup>d</sup> /R	Pos	1908	1985	77	91	P2350.01M	P.H/C <sup>o</sup> .	Pos	1908	1975	67
33	T3910.02M	TR&S/R	Pos	1903	1980	77	92	R4600.01	RS/&C	Pos	1890	1957	67
34	H4280.01aM	HKL	Pos	1893	1969	76	93	D0290.01	D&B/B	Pos	1889	1955	66
35	C3660.01M	CIC <sup>o</sup> L <sup>d</sup>	Pos	1895	1970	75	94	D3330.02	D.M/&S	Pos	1870	1936	66
36	C4210.06M	CL	Pos	1885	1960	75	95	E0270.02M	E.B	Pos	1885	1951	66
37	J7780.01M	J.T./&/J.T.	Sus	1895	1970	75	96	E0640.01M	E.C/D	Pos	1934	2000	66
38	L1300.02	L/&C <sup>o</sup> /L <sup>d</sup>	Pos	1890	1965	75	97	A3210.02M	AJ/&C <sup>o</sup>	Pos	1905	1970	65
39	R4800.01M	R.S.&/J/L <sup>td</sup> .	Pos	1885	1960	75	98	B2045.01	B.D/C <sup>o</sup> .L <sup>d</sup> .	--	1881	1946	65
40	S6440.08M	S&S	Pos	1895	1970	75	99	B4850.01aM	B.M/&C <sup>o</sup> .	Pos	1900	1965	65
41	F3930.01	FS/&S	Pos	1880	1954	74	100	B7970.01	B/Y	--	1895	1960	65
42	J7160.01	J/SMITH	Pos	1895	1969	74	101	D2230.03	D&H	Pos	1890	1955	65
43	L3180.01	LINE	Pos	1895	1969	74	102	G0760.01M	GC	Pos	1941	2006	65
44	B4730.01M	B.M.	Pos	1895	1968	73	103	H0012.11	H	Pos	1915	1980	65
45	B6420.01mM	BS (mono)	Pos	1887	1960	73	104	H1160.02M	HC	Pos	1941	2006	65
46	B7350.01	BUNN	Pos	1902	1975	73	105	I1380.01aM	IJG/CL <sup>d</sup>	Pos	1900	1965	65
47	C0013.02M	C	Pos	1912	1985	73	106	J6420.01M	J.R.	Pos	1912	1977	65
48	C6500.01	C.R/&C <sup>o</sup> ..	Pos	1890	1963	73	107	J8200.01M	J.V.F/C <sup>o</sup>	Sus	1876	1941	65
49	H0470.02aM	HB/C	Pos	1941	2014	73	108	K1560.02M	K.S	Pos	1905	1970	65
50	I2530.01	I.T/C <sup>o</sup>	Pos	1902	1975	73	109	M3980.01M	MM/C <sup>o</sup> .L <sup>d</sup> .	Pos	1890	1955	65
51	B7060.02M	B.T	Pos	1903	1975	72	110	N0520.01	N.C	Pos	1900	1965	65
52	H2240.01mM	HEAT ...	Pos	1895	1967	72	111	O0360.02M	OC	Pos	1930	1995	65
53	H6350.06	H&S	Pos	1885	1957	72	112	R1090.01	R&C <sup>o</sup> /L <sup>td</sup>	Pos	1905	1970	65
54	L0280.02a	L&B	Pos	1885	1957	72	113	S1210.01M	SC	Pos	1941	2006	65
55	P3540.01M	POTTER	Pos	1885	1957	72	114	S6490.01M	S.S/C	Pos	1926	1991	65
56	R0475.04	R.B/&C <sup>o</sup> .	Sus	1895	1966	71	115	U0060.03M	UA	Pos	1890	1955	65
57	S5840.01	S.P/&C <sup>o</sup>	Pos	1869	1940	71	116	U0370.01	U.C.	Pos	1890	1955	65
58	B0013.14	B	Pos	1895	1965	70	117	W3450.02M	W/H	Pos	1920	1985	65

As can be seen in the previous list, only a handful of dies are believed to have remained in use for **90 years or more**, although one of these, de Gruchy's "de in G" with 96 years, has already been covered in the 'Earliest Surviving' category. The others are:

- "SC" (S1210.04M) - Life of at least **109 years**, 1886-1995.



**S1210.04M**

In use: 1886-1995.  
 Dates: 17 Oct 1886 - 3 Oct 1995.  
 Issues:

B 1d (16 dots)  
 E ½d (both), 1½d  
 F ½d (both), 1d, 3d  
 H ½d, 1½d  
 I(RC/BC) ½d-2d, 3d  
 L 1d, 1½d  
 M ½d, 1½d  
 N ½d, 1½d  
 O ½d, 1½d  
 P 1½d  
 Q ½d-2½d  
 R ½d, 1d, 2d, 2½d  
 S ½d-2½d  
 T 1d (SG480)  
 T 2½d (SG499/513)  
 U(TC/MC) ½d-1½d, 2d (lgt)  
 U(TC/MC) 2½d-4½d, 6d, 9d, 1/-  
 V 1d, 2d (both), 3d, 4d (both)  
 V 5d, 6d, 1/-, 10/-

W ½, 1, 1½, 2, 2a, 2½, 3, 3½, 4a, 4½, 5, 5½, 6½, 7, 7½, 8  
 W 8½, 9a, 10a, 11½a, 12, 12a, 12½, 13a, 14, 14a, 15a, 15½  
 W 16, 17a, 17b, 18a, 19, 20b, 22b, 24b  
 W 20p (SG830)  
 W(ell) 19, 20c, 25a, 26b  
 X 2d (SG626), 2½d (SG532/689), 3d (SG619/624/632/637)  
 X 5d (SG832)  
 X 4½p (SG958), 7p (SG975), 8½p (SG1033)  
 X 15p, 20p (SG1467/9), 20p, 26p (SG1984/5)  
 W 25p (SG1921)

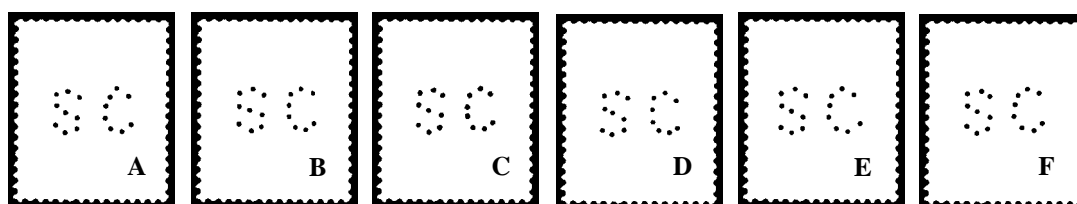
Ident: Salford CBC, Manchester. Also known used by Salford Police, and the Royal Technical Institute, Salford.

Salford became a CBC by Act of Parliament in 1835, and obtained City status in 1926. Ceased 1<sup>st</sup> April 1974 when re-formed as Salford MBC.

Pmks: Eccles, Irlam, '498' Manchester, Salford, Swinton, and Worsley. Also Bally..., Co M(ayo).

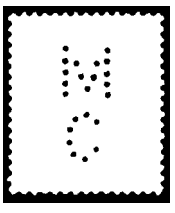


This strip of three shows the typical variation to be found in the multiheaded die. It would appear that the heads became progressively choked, and sometime in the early 1960's they were either refurbished or replaced.




Six distinct patterns can be recognised implying that the original configuration would have been six heads arranged in a single horizontal line, i.e. 6x1, in the order A, B, C, D, E, F.

- “M/C” (M1060.02M) - Life of at least **98 years**, 1882-1980.



**M1060.02M**

In use: 1882-1927, 1941-1980.  
 Dates: 16 Aug 1882 - 24 July 1979.  
 Issues: QV 3d - plate 21  
         QV 3d on 3d  
         B 1d (16 dots)  
         D ½d, 3d, 4d  
         E ½d (both), 1½d-4d, 6d  
         F ½d (both), 1d-3d, 4d (col n/k)  
         F 6d  
         H ½d, 1d  
         I(RC/BC) ½d-4d  
  
 LD: 7<sup>th</sup> July 1925.  
 ED: ... 1945.  
  
 Q 1½d-2½d, 6d  
 R ½d, 1d, 2d-3d  
 S ½d-2½d, 4d  
 U(TC/MC) ½d-1½d, 2d (lgt)  
 U(TC/MC) 2½d-6d, 9d, 10d, 1/-  
 U(Ph) 1d  
  
**Graphites:**  
 U(MC) 4d  
  
 V ½d, 1d, 2d (both), 3d, 4d (both)  
 V 5d, 6d, 9d, 1/-  
 W ½, 1, 1½, 2, 2½, 3, 3½, 4, 4½  
 W 5, 6½, 10  
 X 2½d (SG557)  
 X 4d (SG763)  
  
**Postal Stationery:**  
 QV ½d (br) Type 2a Wrapper



Ident: Manchester Corporation, Lancs. {Incorporated 1838}.

Includes: City Art Gallery; College of Technology;  
 Education Committee; and Rivers Dept.

Also: Booth Hall Hospital, Blackley, Manchester 9.  
 North Western Gas Board, Manchester Undertaking,  
 Town Hall, Manchester 2.

Pmks: '498' Manchester. Also 'Bolton & Bury', Gorton, Keswick,  
 Macclesfield, Cheshire, Middleton, and Wythenshawe.

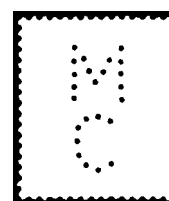
Councils study (September 1965).

*“produced in the Council’s Stationery Department on a machine containing 10 dies side by side. The machine was manufactured by a local firm called T C Thompson Ltd”.*

It is not known if the die was 1x10, 10x1 although 1x10 would be more usable on sheets of stamps than 10x1.

Note: There is a large gap in the use of this die, 1927-1941, which was probably filled using “M/C” (M1060.03M), itself in use 1900-1905, and again 1927-1945. Latest date of use for 1<sup>st</sup> first period of use for M1060.02M is 7<sup>th</sup> July 1925, and the earliest date for the 2<sup>nd</sup> period use of M1060.03M is 10<sup>th</sup> November 1927.

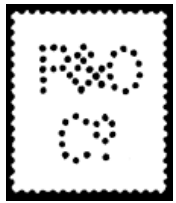
1900-1945



**M1060.03M**

- “**de in G**” (G1390.01) - Life of at least **96 years**, 1876-1972 - see previously.

- “**P&O/C<sup>o</sup>**.” (P3500.02) - Life of at least **95 years**, 1885-1980.



**P3500.02**

In use: 1885-1980.  
 Dates: 8 Aug 1885 - 9 Sep 1948.  
 Issues: B 1d (16 dots)  
       C 2/6d, 5/-, 10/- (SG179/181/3)  
       C £1 (SG212)  
       D 2½d  
       E ½d (verm), 1½d-2½d, 4½d-6d  
       E 1/- (both)  
       F ½d (ye-gn), 1d, 2½d, 4d (both)  
       F 5d, 6d, 1/-  
       H ½d, 1d  
       I(RC/BC) ½d-4d, 6d, 1/-  
       J 2/6d (Type 'B')  
       L ½d-1½d, 2½d  
       M ½d-3d, 1/-  
       N ½d-1½d, 2½d  
       O ½d, 1½d, 2½d  
       P 1½d  
       Q ½d-3d, 6d, 1/-  
       Q 2/6d (both), 5/-, 10/- (ultra)  
       R ½d-3d  
       T 2½d, 3d (SG491/2)  
       T 3d (SG484)  
       T 6d (SG497)  
       U(MC) 2½d, 3d  
       W 1, 12, 14


Note: Large format stamps show evidence for a single headed die.  
 Perfin also found sideways. Large gaps between issues.

Ident: Peninsular & Oriental Steam Navigation Co,  
 122 Leadenhall St, London EC3.  
 Also Redheath House, Croxley Green, Herts (in 1943).  
 Company founded in 1837.

Pmks: London.



- “BC” (B1110.05M) - Life of at least **94 years**, 1899-1993.



**B1110.05M**

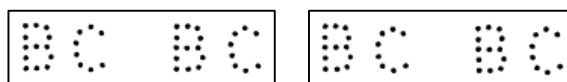
In use: 1899-1993.  
 Dates: 4 Apr 1899 - ... May 1992.  
 Issues: B 1d (16 dots)  
 E ½d (gn), 2½d  
 F ½d (both), 1d, 4d (gr/br), 6d  
 H ½d, 1d  
 I(RC/BC) ½d-2d, 6d  
 L ½d-1½d M ½d-2½d  
 N 1d, 1½d  
 O ½d, 1½d  
 P 1½d Q ½d-2½d, 6d, 1/-  
 R ½d, 1d, 2d-3d S ½d-2½d  
 T ½d, 1d (SG479/480)  
 T 2½d (SG491/3/513)  
 U(TC/MC) ½d-1½d, 2d (lgt)  
 U(TC/MC) 2½d-4½d, 6d, 7d, 1/-  
 U(SEC/MC) 2/6d  
 V 1d, 2d (both), 3d, 4d (both), 5d  
 V 6d, 1/-, 1/6d, 2/6d  
 W ½, 1, 1½, 2, 2a, 2½, 3, 3½, 4, 4a  
 W 4½, 5½, 6½, 7, 8, 8½, 9a, 10  
 W 10a, 11½, 11½a, 12, 12a, 12½  
 W 13a, W 14, 14a, 15a, 15½, 16  
 W 17a, 17b, 18a, 18b, 19, 20, 20b  
 W 22b, 24b, 28, 28a  
 W 10p, 20p, 50p (SG829/830/1)  
 W(ell) 1, 19a, 25a

Commemoratives - issue 'X':  
 2d (SG626)  
 2½d (SG557)  
 3d (SG619/887)  
 4d (SG771)  
 6d (SG621)  
 8p (SG1104)  
 9p (SG1063/1075/1083)  
 12p (SG1116/1121/1129)  
 13p (SG1375)  
 14p (SG1147/1155)  
 15p (SG1467)  
 15½p (SG1192)  
 16p (SG1215)  
 17p (SG1294/1304)  
 18p (SG1376/1380)  
 19p (SG1405/1790 - issued 1993)  
 20p (SG1469)  
 24p (SG1607)

Ident: Burnley Corporation, including the Chief Constable's Office.  
 Pmks: '150' Burnley, Burnley & Nelson, Burnley & Pendle, Lancs.  
 Also (B)lackpool, and ...ashire/Lakes.

Councils study.

***“Perfins produced in the Treasurer’s Department on four impression machine of unknown make”. {1960’s}.***

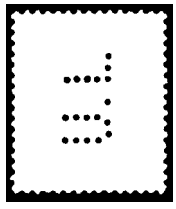


Illustrations of all 4 patterns from a proof strike taken in the 1960's.  
 Left-hand pair forms the top line, right-hand pair the bottom line.



- “UL” (U1170.01M) - Life of at least **93 years**, 1903-1996.

Note - more than one die may be represented!



**U1170.01M**

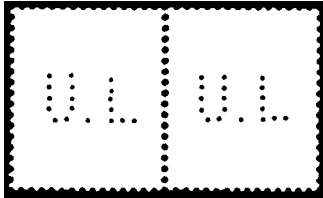
In use: 1903-1996.  
 Dates: 14 Mar 1905 - ... Apr 1994.  
 Issues: F ½d (both), 1d-3d, 6d  
         H ½d, 1d  
         I(RC/BC) ½d-6d, 9d (both), 1/-  
         L 2½d M ½d-5d, 9d, 1/-  
         N ½d, 2½d  
         O ½d, 1½d  
         P 1½d  
         Q ½d to 1/-  
         Q 2/6d (both), 5/-, 10/- (ultra)  
         R ½d-3d  
         S ½d, 1½d-2½d, 4d, 5/-  
         T ½d, 2d, 2½d (SG479/482/3)  
         T 2½d (SG513)  
         T 3d, 1/- (SG496/8)  
         U(TC/MC) ½d-1½d, 2d (lgt)  
         U(TC/MC) 2½d-7d, 9d, 10d  
         U(TC/MC) 1/-, 1/3d, 1/6d  
         U(wmk n/k) 2/6d  
         U(Ph) 4d  
         V 1d, 2d (II), 3d, 4d (both), 5d  
         V 9d, 1/-, 2/6d  
         W ½, 1, 1½, 2, 2a, 2½, 3, 3a, 3½  
         W 4, 4a, 4b, 4½, 5, 5a, 5b, 5½, 6  
         W 6½, 7, 7½, 8, 8½, 9a, 10, 10a  
         W 10b, 10½, 11½a, 12, 12a, 12½,  
         W 13a, 14, 14a, 15a, 15½, 16, 17a  
         W 17b, 18a, 18b, 19, 20, 20a, 20b,  
         W 22b, 24b, 50, 50a  
         W 20p (SG830)  
         W(ell) 1, 19a, 20c, 25a, 26b, 26c  
         W(ell) 26G, 50a

QEII Commemoratives:  
 X 2½d (SG532/623/631/634), 3d (SG624/567)  
 X 4d (SG667/708-710/719/748/757/812), 5d (SG799/825/6)  
 X 6d (SG647), 1/3d (SG648), 1/6d (SG625/645/649)  
 X 3p (SG916), 3½p (SG950/4), 4½p (SG962)  
 X 8½p, (SG1001/1022), 10p (SG1007), 12p (SG1117/1121)  
 X 15½p (SG1207), 18p (SG1355), 19p (SG1810), 20p (SG1469)  
 X 24p (SG1654), 25p (SG1888), 31p (SG1365)

Note: Die multiheaded, probably **2x1**, although more than one die may be represented. Perfin also found upright.

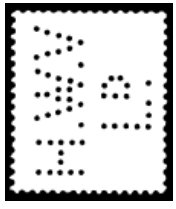
Ident: University of London, Senate House, Malet St,  
 London WC1. Also 26 & 32 Russell Sq, London WC1.

Pmks: South Kensington, London WC, Hampstead, Redhill,  
 Stanmore, Middlesex, and Wandsworth.



Note the distorted back to the “L” in the 1<sup>st</sup> pattern, and the angled foot to the “L” in the 2<sup>nd</sup> in this reconstruction - issue ‘W’ stamps.

- “H.W.V/L<sup>d</sup>.” (H7900.01M) - Life of at least **90 years**, 1895-1985.



**H7900.01M**


In use: 1895-1985.  
 Dates: 21 July 1897 - 22 Sep 1975.  
 Issues:

B 1d (16 dots)  
 E ½d (both), 1½d, 3d, 4d, 6d  
 F ½d (both), 1d-3d, 4d (gr/br)  
 F 5d, 6d  
 H ½d, 1d  
 I(RC/BC) ½d-6d, 9d (bk), 1/-  
 M ½d, 1½d, 3d-5d, 1/-  
 N 1½d  
 O ½d-1½d  
 Q ½d-3d, 6d-8d, 10d to 1/-  
 Q 2/6d (gn)  
 R ½d, 1d, 2d, 2½d  
 S ½d  
 T 1d, 1½d (SG480/1)  
 T 2½d (SG493/5)  
 U(TC/MC) ½d, 2d (col n/k)  
 U(TC/MC) 4d, 6d, 11d, 1/-  
 U(SEC/MC) 2/6d, 5/-  
 V 4d (sepia), 5d, 1/-  
 W ½, 1, 3, 5½, 6½, 7, 8, 9a, 10a  
 W 11½a, 12½, 15½, 16, 17a  
 X 12p (SG1125)  
 X 14p (SG1151)

Note: Die multiheaded, probably **2x1**.  
 Perfin also found upright.

Ident: Hazell, Watson & Viney Ltd,  
 Printers & Binders,  
 Wholesale & Mfg Stationers,  
 H/O Long Acre, London WC2.  
 Also Aylesbury & Slough.  
 {Printed the Amateur Photographer  
 & Photographic News}.

Pmks: Aylesbury, Bucks, London EC,  
 London WC, 'FS', and 'G.P.O'.

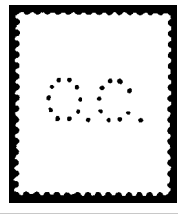



The two patterns in the multiheaded die were probably arranged  
sideways, side by side.

**M**OTOR WAGON.—HAZELL, WATSON AND VINEY, LTD.,  
 of 1, Creed Lane, Ludgate Hill, invite offers of a  
 Motor Van, suitable for carrying large quantities of paper  
 between Aylesbury and London (thirty miles); high speed  
 not essential.

**1896 Advertisement for a Motor Wagon!**

- “O.C.” (O0380.01) - Life of at least **90 years**, 1895-1985.

 <p><b>O0380.01</b></p>	<p>In use: 1895-1985.          Dates: 30 Dec 1898 - ... May 1982.          Issues: B 1d (16 dots)                E ½d (both), 1½d, 3d                F ½d (both), 1d, 2d-3d                H 1d                I(RC/BC) ½d-1½d, 3d                L ½d, 1½d                M ½d-1½d                O ½d, 1½d                Q ½d-1½d, 2½d, 6d                R ½d, 1d, 2½d                S ½d, 1½d, 2½d                T ½d, 1d, 2½d (SG479/480/3)                U(TC/MC) ½d-1½d, 2d (lgt)                U(TC/MC) 2½d-4d, 6d                V 1d, 3d, 4d (both), 6d                W ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 3½, 4½, 5, 5½                W 6½, 7, 8, 8½, 9a, 10a, 11½a                W 12, 12½, 14, 16</p>
	<p>Note: Strikes poor after c1965.</p>
<p>Ident: Oldham CBC. {Ceased 1<sup>st</sup> April 1974}. Presumably 'Oldham Corporation' continued to use their "O.C." machine after 1974.</p>	<p>Pmks: Oldham, Lancs.</p>

Councils study (April 1966).

*“Supplies of perfins obtained from a local printing firm who employ a very old, hand operated, single die machine”.*

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